

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Stephen R. Palm

Appl. No.: 09/916,653

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For: **Handshaking Communication  
System and Method for Multiple  
xDSL (*As Amended*)**

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**Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312**

***Mail Stop Issue Fee***

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herein is an Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. As payment of the issue fee has not yet been made or is filed herewith, Applicant respectfully submits that filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 is proper. (M.P.E.P. § 714.16.)

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

It is believed that extensions of time are not required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this Amendment. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.